

CITY OF WILMINGTON
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING
March9, 2012

Convened as the Local Emergency Planning Committee for the City of Wilmington.

The LEPC staff meeting was held on March 9, 2012 at the Emergency Operations Center 22 S. Heald St., Wilmington, Delaware.

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chairman George Giles

The minutes were approved in e-mail and written form.

LEPC BUDGET

George Giles reported that the budget is winding down. He stated that some outreach materials will be purchased in the next couple of months.

FY2012 budget has been submitted with a small increase in Margie Williams's salary. Again he reminded anyone who wanted training and anything else we could assist with to please notify the office.

HMEP 2011

This is a no match grant. The request has to be in by April 2011.

Training & Planning are the main distribution of the grant. Hazmat training of the Wilmington Fire Department will be in April. DSFS instructors will do the training.

TRAINING

George Giles reports in the process of planning a Hazmat drill in Wilmington with The Port of Wilmington.

George and Chief Huelsenbeck discussed how to enhance the WFD capabilities and what this role will be. Training is not the problem it is the overtime that is involved.

Bob Schroeder of Noramco said they will have a drill on May 5th and will offer for us to join.

EDUCATION & OUTREACH

Wilmington will participate with the state Citizens Corp and NCC again in the Blue Rocks

Preparedness night on June 29th. This is a fireworks night so the attendance will be good.

Dave Irwin explained about the classes and speakers for the upcoming State Hazmat Conference in Smyrna. All were encouraged to attend that the sessions were of interest. The event is free but you need to register. If you need the paperwork see Margie after the meeting.

HAZARDOUS RESPONCES

Garasches Lane was a junk yard fire but when on scene encountered housing, office space, old tractor trailers and large drums and cylinders. DNREC and L&I responded to the incident.

The owners will take care of the clean up.

Second incident was suspicious packages in two different locations at the same time. In both cases it proved to be nothing. An after action report was done and lessons learned were very good information.

DEL EASI

DelEasi wanted to know if we ask for the routes that the truck use to enter and leave the business. Discussion held and it was established that we are trying to get a handle on this information. Dave Irwin said that the County was changing their questioner to put truck route of travel.

Bob Schroeder said that the trucks leaving Noramco had to go on to Swedes Landing Rd. because there is no left turn on to 4th St. The LEPC and the City of Wilmington will work

On this to see if they can change this so that the trucks can go right over the bridge to Christiana

Avenue to Rt. 9 or I495.

DNREC

Kris Gontkovsk reported that 85% complete and \$256,480.00 collected so far this year from 2011 Tier II reports. They are reviewing data received, trying to contact delinquent reports/fees and working with the 911 centers to update street addresses etc. of new facilities for the corresponding fire districts. He stated that in the summer of 2013 there will be a major overhaul on the manager update. If you want anything added to the IDSI let Kris know and he will pass it on.

OLD BUSINESS

Our Hazmat Plan will be updated next year.

Let us know if we can help your company with training!!

George explained progress on EOC.

Glenn reported on the incident at the Paulsboro plant in New Jersey and how the release affected as far as Maryland. The smell triggered numerous calls to Delmarva WPD, WFD and OEM. Fireboard at first did not relay this information to the responders that this was due to an incident in NJ.

NEW BUSINESS

George reported we will do a state wide flow study starting in NCC and going South. This will include road/rail/river transportation. The ultimate goal being to go to 1 place to get all information.

The state is going to 700meq rather than 800meq. They say there is no interruption on the 700. This project starts in April and is a 3 yr. project. All to be complete by 2014 and all in compliance.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05.

The next regular meeting of the L.E.P.C. will be held on May 11, 2012
22 S. Heald Street , Emergency Operations Center training room at 10:00.

Respectfully Submitted,
Margie Williams, Staff Secretary to the LEPC